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1. All enlisted personnel of the Volkspolizei Grenzkommandos in the Gerstungen-Dermbach/Rhoen area were relieved and transferred to Sondershausen (M 52/D 11) for political training on 24 March 1950. The personnel of the Gerstungen Grenzkommandantur rode on a truck to the Marksuhl (L 51/H 75) railroad station where a special train was waiting. Polizeirat Salamann, chief of the Grenzkommandantur, remained in office. The replacements came from the Sondershausen VP school; about 80 percent of them belonged to the 1930 and 1931 classes.

2. [redacted] data on border guard units [redacted]

Grenzkommandantur Gerstungen: CO Polizeirat Salamann
Four Kommissars
Forty police

Grenzkommando Untersuhl: Two Kommissars
Thirty-six police

Grenzkommando Berka/Werra: Two Kommissars
Forty-six police

The Grenzkommandanturen and Grenzpolizeikommandos in the Gerstungen-Dermbach/Rhoen area are subordinate to the Mihla (M 52/H 87) Polizeibereitschaft.

3. [redacted] supplementary data on the organization of German border guard units [redacted]

a. Grenzpolizeibereitschaft Mihla/Werra controls the Grenzkommandanturen in Arenshausen (L 52/C 51), Mihla and Creuzburg (L 52/H 77) and the Grenzkommandos in Arenshausen, Frankenberg, Mihla, Creuzburg and Wartha (L 51/H 76).

b. Grenzpolizeibereitschaft Dermbach/Rhoen controls the

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Grenzkommandanturen in Gerstungen and Vacha and the Grenzkommandos in Lauchroeden, Gerstungen, Untersuhl, Berka, Abteroda and Vitzeroda. An average Grenzkommando is manned by two Kommissars and 35 police.

4. Polizeirat Salamann was relieved by Oberkommissar Kutze as chief of the Gerstungen Grenzpolizeikommandantur in mid-April 1950. Kommissar John was identified as chief of the Untersuhl Grenzpolizeikommando.

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